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This Informational Handout for the Javelina Over-the-Counter Nonpermit-tags is being provided for reference only to assist hunters in understanding this unique but limited and restricted hunting opportunity. Hunters are reminded that the 2014 Spring Turkey, Javelina, Buffalo and Bear Hunt Draw Information booklet has precedence over this informational handout and is the legal controlling document.

In this handout you will find:

- Overview
- Common Violations
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Seasons Dates, Allowable Weapon Types, Open Areas and Boundary Descriptions
- Reference Map for the Mohawk Valley Hunt Area

#### **OVERVIEW:**

The javelina over-the-counter nonpermit-tags are for very specific and limited locations where the Department is attempting to create areas with few or no resident javelina.

Javelina numbers in these hunt areas are low; therefore, hunt success is expected to be very low. However, one advantage of these hunts is that they afford the opportunity to hunt with family and friends, which hasn't always been possible because of the difficulty in getting a tag through the big game draw process.

Hunters need to be attentive to the hunt area boundary and private property within the hunt area. Hunters who obtain these over-the-counter javelina tags should make sure they contact the property owner and obtain permission before hunting on private land.

These hunts will not affect your bonus points but do count toward your two-javelina-percalendar-year bag limit.

**NOTE:** Hunters are reminded that many of these hunts occur in lower elevations and during the hotter times of the year. These two conditions make it imperative to quickly field dress your harvested game, including removing the hide to preserve the meat BEFORE transporting. Hunters should have plenty of coolers and ice to preserve their harvest BEFORE the hunt.



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### **AVOID COMMON VIOLATIONS:**

- \* Pick Up All Litter A.R.S. 17-309a.9; 13-1603
- \* Use Existing Roads Only A.R.S. 17-454
- \* Minimize Livestock Disturbance A.R.S. 17-309a.3
- \* Close Gates, Unless Fixed Open A.R.S. 17-309a.3 and 28-7055
- \* Camp At Least 1/4 Mile From Waters A.R.S.17-308
- \* Do Not Shoot Within 1/4 Mile Of Occupied Buildings A.R.S. 17-309a.4
- \* Obey All Regulatory Signs
- \* Respect Private Property Rights
- \* Do Not Attempt To Take Wildlife From A Vehicle A.R.S. 17-301b

For the complete language on these Title 17 laws and others, visit

<u>www.azleg.gov/ArizonaRevisedStatutes.asp?Title=17</u>. A copy of the Arizona Game and Fish Laws and Rules booklet can be purchased from any department office.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ'S)

### Question: WHAT are nonpermit-tags?

Answer: Nonpermit-tags are tags that may be purchased over-the-counter from Department offices and in some cases from license dealers without applying though the Department's big game Draw (lottery) process.

## Question: WHY is the Arizona Game and Fish Department offering nonpermit-tags for javelina hunts?

Answer: The Department does not want resident javelina herds in specific areas of the state due to conflicts with private landowners and nuisance javelina concerns. In these areas, our general hunt structures have not met our management goals, which is why we are implementing a general nonpermit-tag javelina hunt in the Mohawk Valley.

### Question: WHAT is the expected hunt success?

Answer: Hunt success is expected to be low on all nonpermit-tag javelina hunts.

### Question: What type of hunting license and permit do I need for these hunts?

Answer: A valid hunting license (Class F, G, J, K, M, or N) and a javelina nonpermit-tag (over-the-counter), both valid for the year of the hunt, are required.



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## Question: Do I need both the archery-only and general nonpermit-tags to hunt both weapon type seasons?

Answer: No, there is only one nonpermit-tag required that may be used for either weapon type hunt. The separate listings in the regulations are required to identify differences in open areas, seasons, legal animals, or weapon types. Hunters can possess a javelina nonpermit-tag and adjust their hunt to the seasons and weapon types as permitted by the current javelina hunting regulations.

### Question: WHERE can I hunt with a javelina nonpermit-tag?

Answer: Open hunting areas are subject to change from year to year. Hunters must thoroughly review the appropriate year's Spring Turkey, Javelina, Buffalo and Bear Hunt Draw Information booklet, including the notes section, for detailed boundaries of open areas, legal game and other pertinent information. (Note: Open areas are not the same as the familiar Game Management Units in most cases.)

### Question: WHEN can I hunt with a javelina nonpermit-tag?

Answer: Open season dates are also subject to change from year to year. Hunters must thoroughly review the appropriate Spring Turkey, Javelina, Buffalo and Bear Hunt Draw Information booklet, including the notes section, for detailed boundaries of open areas, legal game and other pertinent information.

## Question: Where can I get a map of the open areas for javelina nonpermit-tag holders?

Answer: All the boundaries of open areas are identified in the notes section of the appropriate year's Spring Turkey, Javelina, Buffalo and Bear Hunt Draw Information booklet. Due to the relative newness of this hunting opportunity, and for reference only, the Arizona Game and Fish Department is providing map(s) of the hunt areas. You can log onto the Game and Fish Web site at <a href="www.azgfd.gov/otc">www.azgfd.gov/otc</a>. Caution: Be sure to pick the appropriate years "Informational Handout."

### Question: Do I lose my bonus points if I purchase a javelina nonpermit-tag?

Answer: No. You do not loose or accrue bonus points when buying a javelina nonpermit-tag over-the-counter.



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Question: If I purchase a javelina nonpermit-tag can I still apply for a tag through

the Draw?
Answer: Yes.

Question: If I harvest a javelina during a nonpermit-tag season and then find out I was awarded a tag through the "Draw" of the same year can I hunt javelina again with that permit-tag?

Answer: Yes. In 2014, the annual bag limit for javelina is two (2) per calendar year (excluding special raffle tags per R12-4-120). Two (2) javelina per calendar year (except as prescribed in R12-4-120) with no more than one (1) javelina taken per open area as defined in each hunt number. The bag limit may be filled in any combination of permittag (draw tag or first-come left over draw tag as long as the tags are for differing hunt numbers) or nonpermittag (over-the-counter tag) hunts as prescribed in R12-4-114.



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### **MOHAWK VALLEY HUNT AREA & SEASON DATES**

### **Hunt Area Boundaries for Mohawk Valley Hunt Area (per note 20):**

Mohawk Valley Hunt Area in Unit 41 -That portion of Unit 41 west of Avenue 57 East and south of the Yuma Proving Grounds. The number of javelina in this hunt area is very low; hunt success is expected to be low. Hunt access may be restricted on private property; ensure you obtain permission to hunt on private land. More information on this hunt is available on the Department's website at www.azgfd.gov/otc.

### **Season Dates for Mohawk Valley Hunt Area:**

Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2014 - Any javelina

### **Weapon Types for Mohawk Valley Hunt Area:**

General hunt - Any weapon described in Commission Rule R12-4-304.A.7 (centerfire rifles, muzzleloading rifles, centerfire handguns, and archery – see rule for additional weapon types and requirements).

### Other notes for Mohawk Valley Hunt Area:

Javelina in this hunt area are limited in number, and hunters may have poor success finding them. Much of the area occupied by javelina is private land. Hunters must respect private landowner rights. Successful hunters may report their harvest by calling Mark Brown at 928-342-0091.

### Map FOR Mohawk Valley Hunt Area:

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### MOHAWK VALLEY SUBUNIT OF GAME MANAGEMENT UNIT 41

Portion of Unit 41 located west of Avenue 57E and south of Yuma Proving Ground Boundary Circled areas represent locations with recent javelina concentrations

